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WAXMAN URGES USE OF CANCER HOTLINE

Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-Los Angeles) chairman of the House Subcommittee on Health and the Environment, has called for greater public use of the Cancer Information Service toll-free hotline.

Waxman said,

"The hotline is operated by the National Cancer Institute. It gives citizens an opportunity to obtain reliable information on every aspect of cancer including causes, prevention, and the wide range of treatment modalities currently available. The hotline also has a referral service and will give the caller a list of doctors who specialize in cancer treatment.

"I have been an enthusiastic supporter of all the efforts by the National Cancer Institute to dissiminate information. Countless people suffer and die needlessly because they know too little about cancer to protect themselves and to fight early and successfully for recovery."

The Los Angeles area toll-free number is:

1-800-252-9066.

This toll-free number can be used anywhere within area codes 213, 714 and 805. The hotline operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Callers need not identify themselves if they do not wish to. The hotline is a tax supported service of the federal government not connected in any way with any profit making institution.

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